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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Todd Michael Wernicke, et al. : Confirmation No.: 3337
 Serial No.: 09/830,251 : Group Art Unit: 1751
 Filed: July 11, 2001 : Examiner: Charles I. Boyer

For METHODS FOR LAUNDERING DELICATE GARMENTS IN A WASHING MACHINE

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

FILED BEFORE MAILING OF NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

On June 24, 2003, Applicants filed a Request for Continuing Examination ("RCE") for the above-referenced application in order to submit an Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS"). The IDS filed with the June 24, 2003 RCE was considered by the Examiner. Applicants then filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (hereinafter "SIDS") on September 9, 2003 which was received by the Patent Office on September 11, 2003 (see attached postcard indicating the Patent Office's receipt of the September 9, 2003 SIDS). On Patent Office mailed a Notice of Allowance on September 24, 2003. It appears that this September 9, 2003 SIDS has not yet been considered by the Examiner.

In accordance with M.P.E.P. §609, an IDS filed after the filing of an RCE will be considered if the IDS is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. In the instant situation, the September 24, 2003 Notice of Allowance was the first action after the filing of the June 24, 2003 RCE. As the September 9, 2003 SIDS was timely filed prior to the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the September 9, 2003 SIDS as required by M.P.E.P. §609 prior to the Issue Fee Due Date of December 24, 2003. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the September 9, 2003 IDS/SB08A is being included herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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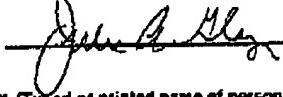
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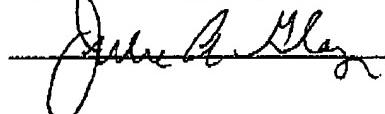
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